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Dear Interested Party:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will conduct three contractor information meetings for the proposed construction of the Self-Anchored Suspension (SAS) Span for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge (SFOBB) East Span Seismic Safety Project. **There will be two SAS span superstructure contractor information meetings. The first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 16, 2005, and the second meeting is on Friday, September 23, 2005. Both meetings are from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Waterfront Plaza Hotel, Jack London Square, 10 Washington Street, Oakland, California, USA.** Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., and the program begins at 9:00 a.m. A third meeting focusing on Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), Small Business, and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) opportunities for many Caltrans contracts including the SAS span will be held on Wednesday, August 31, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the **Waterfront Plaza Hotel, Jack London Square, 10 Washington Street, Oakland, California, USA.** Registration is at 8:30 a.m., and the program begins at 9:00 a.m.

The contractor information meetings will focus on the SAS superstructure contract 04-0120F4. The SAS span consists of a 160-meter fabricated structural steel tower with a main cable and inclined suspenders supporting the steel orthotropic decks of a 385-meter main span and a 180-meter back span. Funding for construction of the span has been secured.

The purpose of the contractor information meeting is for participants to ask questions, discuss the constructability issues of the project, and share ideas, information and lessons learned on other projects. Contractors' information handouts will be provided at the meeting. This meeting is not a substitute for the bidder inquiry process as discussed in the Notice to Contractor in the special provisions. Please bring business cards to share with Caltrans and assist us in our efforts to keep accurate sign-in sheets. We will be distributing the sign-in sheets after the closing remarks.

**For assistive services or alternative formats because of a disabling condition, please call (510) 622-0126.**

For information on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge East Span Seismic Safety Project, visit the Caltrans website at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/SASoutreach>. Prior to the meeting, we welcome any requests you may have for topics you would like discussed during the meeting. To submit suggestions, or if you have any questions regarding the meeting, please use the contact information below.

Contractors, fabricators, and suppliers desiring to attend the information meeting should respond at least one week before the scheduled meeting as follows:

- For the August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, please respond by Tuesday, August 9, 2005.
- For the August 31<sup>st</sup> meeting, please respond by Wednesday, August 24, 2005.
- For the September 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting please respond by Friday, September 16, 2005.

For those unable to attend, you may participate by telephone at the toll free call-in number 1-888-330-9943 from the US and Canada, or 1-641-793-7500 from outside the US and Canada. After dialing in you will hear the conference greeting that will prompt you for the guest code (680722), you will then be connected to the meeting. If participating by telephone, please send a response notification as specified below.

Responses must identify the company name and the number attending – space is limited. Please send response notifications by fax, e-mail, or via the US mail. Responses must be addressed to:

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*CirclePoint is coordinating registration on behalf of Caltrans.*

We look forward to your participation in the meeting.

Sincerely,

  
WILL KEMPTON  
Director